



before the public - for I know  
there things in it that ought to  
be said. I omitted two passages  
which I delivered, one upon  
the criminality of sexual li-  
centiousness - and the other  
upon the criminality of intem-  
perance, which I think has  
never yet been adequately  
stated. But I omitted them  
because of the extreme length  
of the discourse. —

I wish I could be with you  
next week. But that pleasure  
I cannot afford.

You will rejoice to know that  
my wife is still improving,  
and will I trust be able to  
return home in two or three  
weeks — Love to Helen and  
all the dear ones.

Yours affectionately  
Saml J. May —



I shall give Peter letters of introduction to Dr Peabody, Dr Lathrop and through them, I hope, to the rich ones of Boston who may be induced by their recommendation of this cause to give liberally of their abundance.

Sat Monday, I sent my Discourse about Daniel Webster to Greeley for publication in the Tribune. If he does not publish it, I shall direct him to send the manuscript to you and I wish you would make arrangements to have it published in the Commonwealth as well as the Liberator. Perhaps you can use the same types in both papers. I do not wish to give my friends much trouble, but I do wish to get that discourse extensively

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Dear Garrison.

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The bearer of this will be Peter Still - a man lately out of the jaws of Slavery. His tale is a very remarkable one, you may have heard it already from Miller McKim. If not, let him tell you the whole of it - and you may give him your entire confidence. —

Two thousand dollars are demanded by the tyrant, who holds his wife and children as the price of their redemption. It is \$1500 or \$2000 more than their market value, and this addition is put on because of their very unnatural and wicked attempt to take their own freedom. We are in hope that the man will be induced to take less, but he is a cruel one.